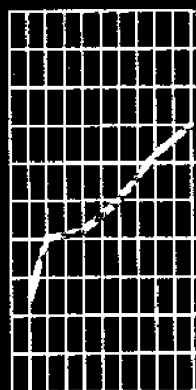


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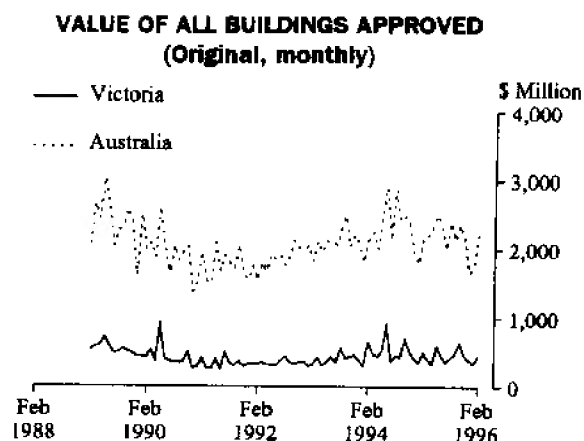
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SELECTED FEATURES

Value of All Buildings Approved

The value of all buildings approved for Victoria increased by 29.7% to \$449 million in February 1996 from \$346 million in January 1996.

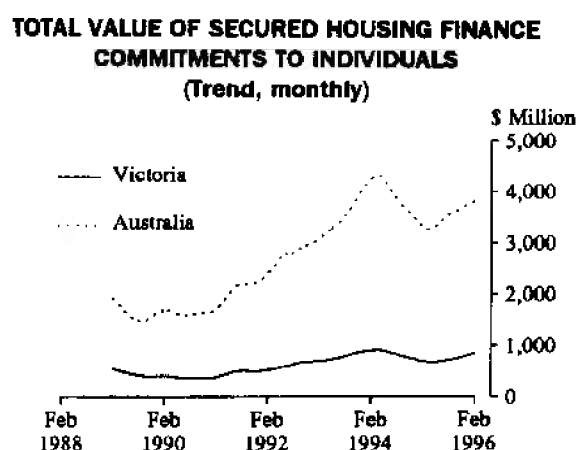
For Australia the value of all buildings approved increased by 26.2% to \$2,217 million in February 1996 from \$1,758 million in January 1996.



Total Value of Secured Housing Finance Commitments to Individuals

The trend estimate of the total value of secured housing finance commitments to individuals for Victoria in February 1996 was \$852 million, an increase of 3.7% from January 1996 (\$787 million).

For Australia, this figure was \$3,840 million in February 1996, an increase of 1.5% from January 1996 (\$3,735 million).



Indicator(a)	Unit	Reference period	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	Aust.(b)
NUMBER									
Employed persons (c)	'000	Mar 96	2,795	2,057	1,514	1,656	833	201	8,281
Unemployment rate									
- trend estimate	%	Mar 96	7.8	8.6	9.1	9.4	7.9	10.4	8.4
Average weekly total earnings									
- all employees (e)	\$	Nov 95	582.90	563.60	505.50	510.60	548.40	513.80	554.30
Consumer price index all groups	1989-90=100	Dec qr 95	118.3	118.5	118.6	121.1	116.3	119.2	118.5
Exports (excludes re-exports)	\$m	Feb 96	1,256	1,284	897	478	1,530	106	5,461
Imports	\$m	Feb 96	2,711	1,960	644	254	560	28	6,205
Retail turnover - trend estimate	\$m	Feb 96	3,660	2,308	1,842	755	1,045	246	10,160
New motor vehicle registrations									
- trend estimate	no.	Feb 96	18,547	12,950	10,444	3,712	5,239	1,110	53,765
New capital expenditure									
- seasonally adjusted	\$m	Dec qr 95	2,844	2,048	1,244	496	1,828	148	9,013
New dwelling units approved									
- trend estimate	no.	Feb 96	3,331	1,801	2,443	445	1,399	212	9,973
Value of all buildings approved	\$m	Feb 96	774	449	487	64	192	34	2,217
Housing finance for owner occupation (f)	\$m	Feb 96	1,342	852	656	255	500	63	3,840
CHANGE OVER PREVIOUS PERIOD (%)									
Employed persons (c)		Mar 96	0.1	1.0	-0.7	0.4	-0.2	-1.5	-0.7
Unemployment rate									
- trend estimate (d)		Mar 96	0.1	p 0.0	-0.2	p 0.0	p 0.0	0.2	p 0.0
Average weekly total earnings									
- all employees (e)		Nov 95	0.8	2.5	0.4	0.1	0.7	3.7	1.2
Consumer price index all groups		Dec qr 95	0.9	0.8	0.6	0.8	0.6	0.7	0.8
Exports (excludes re-exports)		Feb 96	-3.0	7.8	-3.2	19.8	-5.0	-17.7	1.6
Imports		Feb 96	-8.6	-4.5	-7.2	0.9	7.0	-9.3	-5.2
Retail turnover - trend estimate		Feb 96	0.6	0.5	0.4	-0.7	0.3	0.7	0.4
New motor vehicle registrations									
- trend estimate		Feb 96	1.5	0.8	3.8	1.1	0.5	0.6	1.6
New capital expenditure									
- seasonally adjusted		Dec qr 95	0.7	0.8	-8.6	27.6	-2.6	-5.6	2.4
New dwelling units approved									
- trend estimate		Feb 96	1.3	2.1	0.2	-4.0	2.3	-0.8	-0.1
Value of all buildings approved		Feb 96	18.7	29.7	68.4	-36.8	-18.9	-51.0	26.2
Housing finance for owner occupation (f)		Feb 96	0.6	3.7	-1.2	-0.2	1.2	-1.9	1.5
CHANGE OVER SAME PERIOD PREVIOUS YEAR (%)									
Employed persons (c)		Mar 96	3.1	0.7	1.1	1.6	0.9	0.9	1.7
Unemployment rate									
- trend estimate (d)		Mar 96	-0.4	-0.5	0.3	-0.5	0.4	-0.3	0.2
Average weekly total earnings									
- all employees (e)		Nov 95	3.7	2.2	0.7	1.1	1.8	2.5	2.4
Consumer price index all groups		Dec qr 95	5.8	4.8	4.3	4.4	4.8	4.4	5.1
Exports (excludes re-exports)		Feb 96	7.7	8.4	8.6	98.3	19.5	14.4	16.2
Imports		Feb 96	12.5	7.3	8.5	1.1	27.7	24.9	11.5
Retail turnover - trend estimate		Feb 96	11.6	5.8	5.9	4.6	10.1	6.0	8.2
New motor vehicle registrations									
- trend estimate		Feb 96	4.4	2.5	5.1	2.5	-2.7	-2.8	0.1
New capital expenditure									
- seasonally adjusted		Dec qr 95	4.7	19.9	11.0	-21.5	6.2	1.4	6.0
New dwelling units approved									
- trend estimate		Feb 96	-19.8	-21.9	-26.5	-42.0	-19.1	-14.3	-23.0
Value of all buildings approved		Feb 96	-3.1	-10.2	12.6	-28.8	-8.6	3.7	2.7
Housing finance for owner occupation (f)		Feb 96	10.6	22.6	10.1	13.4	16.6	9.1	15.6

(a) All figures are original unless otherwise stated. (b) The Australian total includes figures for NT and the ACT, and where applicable, Tasmania. (c) Seasonally adjusted. (d) Change is shown in terms of percentage points. (e) Available only for February, May, August and November each year. (f) Trend estimate. All lenders, excludes alterations and additions, to residential buildings.

Indicator	Unit	Reference period	Latest figure	Victoria		Australia		Victoria as a % of Australia	
				Change over preceding period (%)	Change over previous year (a) (%)	Latest figure	Change over preceding period (%)		Change over previous year (a) (%)
Population -									
Estimated resident population	'000	Sep qr 95	p 4,511	p 0.2	p 0.7	p 18,114	p 0.3	p 1.3	p 24.9
Civilian population aged 15 years and over	'000	Mar 96	p 3,579	p 0.1	p 1.0	p 14,280	p 0.1	p 1.5	p 25.1
Labour force -									
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- original	'000	Mar 96	p 2,264	p -1.1	p 0.3	p 9,114	p -0.1	p 1.5	p 24.8
- seasonally adjusted	'000	Mar 96	p 2,249	p -1.6	p 0.3	p 9,052	p -0.6	p 1.5	p 24.9
- trend estimate	'000	Mar 96	p 2,273	p 0.0	p 1.3	p 9,088	p 0.0	p 1.6	p 25.0
Participation rate									
- original series	%	Mar 96	p 63.3	..	..	p 63.8	..	..	..
- seasonally adjusted	%	Mar 96	p 62.9	..	..	p 63.4	..	..	..
- trend estimate	%	Mar 96	p 63.5	..	..	p 63.6	..	..	..
Unemployment rate									
- original series	%	Mar 96	p 8.9	..	..	p 8.9	..	..	..
- seasonally adjusted	%	Mar 96	p 8.6	..	..	p 8.5	..	..	..
- trend estimate	%	Mar 96	p 8.6	..	..	p 8.4	..	..	..
Employed persons by industry (b)									
Agriculture, forestry, and fishing	'000	Feb 96	102	13.0	15.2	428	-0.6	3.7	23.9
Mining	'000	Feb 96	4	-21.7	-35.7	88	8.1	3.1	4.1
Manufacturing	'000	Feb 96	347	-3.0	-0.5	1,111	-0.2	-0.9	31.2
Electricity, gas & water supply	'000	Feb 96	16	-17.9	-8.0	81	-2.6	-2.8	19.8
Construction	'000	Feb 96	130	2.7	-1.4	602	-0.8	0.9	21.6
Wholesale Trade	'000	Feb 96	129	-5.1	0.5	482	-5.5	-3.0	26.6
Retail Trade	'000	Feb 96	303	0.3	-1.2	1,243	1.8	4.2	24.4
Accommodation, cafes & restaurants	'000	Feb 96	75	-5.9	-9.7	366	-6.9	-3.6	20.4
Transport & storage	'000	Feb 96	100	5.2	8.5	393	1.7	0.5	25.5
Communication services	'000	Feb 96	49	13.9	14.4	171	12.8	11.6	28.8
Finance & insurance	'000	Feb 96	83	5.8	0.9	313	0.9	1.9	26.4
Property & business services	'000	Feb 96	209	-2.0	10.2	789	-0.4	4.1	26.4
Government administration and defence	'000	Feb 96	83	1.5	-2.4	389	1.1	8.4	21.4
Education	'000	Feb 96	132	-5.1	-3.0	557	-5.6	4.8	23.7
Health and community services	'000	Feb 96	174	-0.4	3.6	749	-0.6	4.4	23.2
Cultural & recreational services	'000	Feb 96	46	-3.2	10.0	185	-5.2	-4.0	24.8
Personal & other services	'000	Feb 96	77	-	11.9	317	2.9	1.8	24.3
Total all industries	'000	Feb 96	2,058	0.6	0.6	8,264	1.0	-	24.9
Job vacancies (b)									
- original series	'000	Feb 96	16.7	39.2	23.7	63.9	13.9	11.7	26.1
Overtime (b)									
Average weekly hours per employee	hours	Feb 96	1.29	1.6	-7.2	1.13	-1.7	-6.6	..
Employees working overtime	%	Feb 96	17.5	-1.6	-0.3	15.9	-4.1	-3.6	..
Average weekly earnings of employees (b)									
Full-time adult - ordinary	\$	Nov 95	653.60	1.7	4.2	659.90	1.2	4.9	..
All employees - total	\$	Nov 95	563.60	2.5	2.2	554.30	1.2	2.4	..
Industrial disputes (c)									
Working days lost per '000 employees	no.	Dec 95	72	-11.1	38.5	79	-7.1	3.9	..
Overseas trade -									
Imports	\$m	Feb 96	1,960	-4.5	7.3	6,205	-5.2	11.5	31.6
Exports (d)	\$m	Feb 96	1,284	7.8	8.4	5,461	1.6	16.2	23.5
Tourism -									
Caravan parks - takings	\$'000	Dec 95	8,517	27.5	7.2	45,383	29.9	4.1	18.8
Licensed hotels, motels & guest houses with facilities									
- Takings	\$'000	Dec 95	40,550	-21.8	9.0	262,946	-11.8	8.7	15.4
- room occupancy rate	%	Dec 95	48	53

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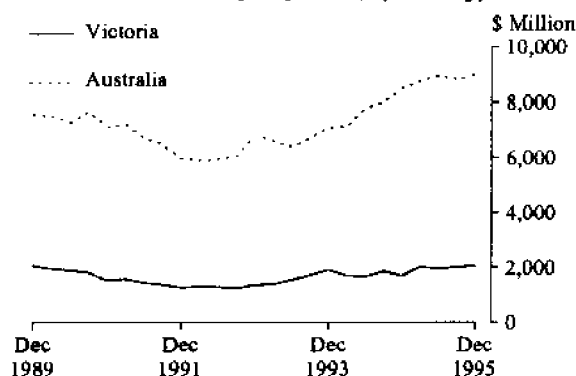
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Consumer price index -								
All groups (1989-90=100)		Dec qr 95	118.5	0.8	4.8	118.5	0.8	5.1
Retail trade establishments -								
Value of turnover								
- original series	\$m	Feb 96	2,118	5.9	9.3	9,341	-5.8	12.7
- seasonally adjusted	\$m	Feb 96	2,306	-0.9	4.4	10,182	0.2	3.0
- trend estimate	\$m	Feb 96	2,308	0.5	5.8	10,160	0.4	8.2
New motor vehicle registrations								
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- original series	no.	Feb 96	13,258	30.4	12.9	53,235	19.7	8.2
- seasonally adjusted	no.	Feb 96	13,519	6.6	8.8	55,493	4.2	3.9
- trend estimate	no.	Feb 96	12,950	0.8	2.5	53,765	1.6	-0.1
Finance -								
Personal finance commitments								
- total	\$m	Feb 96	603	-0.3	18.7	2,625	2.8	20.0
Commercial finance commitments								
- total	\$m	Feb 96	4,282	-35.8	125.2	14,608	-7.0	48.1
Lease finance commitments								
- total	\$m	Feb 96	112	9.9	-0.8	589	24.6	23.6
Housing finance for owner occupation -								
Secured loans to individuals								
- number of dwelling units financed (e)(f)	no.	Feb 96	9,138	23.1	25.4	34,059	21.8	14.7
- value of loans secured (e)(f)	\$m	Feb 96	858	20.5	23.5	3,507	20.2	13.5
Total number of dwelling units financed (g)(h)(i) — trend	no.	Feb 96	9,733	3.2	20.5	39,483	1.2	13.2
Total value of loans secured (g)(h)(i) trend	\$m	Feb 96	852	3.7	22.6	3,840	1.5	15.6
Loan purpose - All lenders (g)								
- Established dwellings (h)	\$m	Feb 96	731	21.7	38.5	3,183	23.0	24.6
- Construction of dwellings	\$m	Feb 96	106	28.9	5.4	524	28.6	2.3
- Newly erected dwellings	\$m	Feb 96	35	14.2	-0.1	191	16.2	17.3
Building approvals -								
New dwelling units								
- original series	no.	Feb 96	1,837	22.8	-18.7	9,937	20.9	-16.6
- seasonally adjusted	no.	Feb 96	1,807	7.2	-23.3	10,245	7.4	-21.5
- trend estimate	no.	Feb 96	1,801	-2.1	-21.9	9,973	-0.1	-23.0
Value of non-residential buildings								
- original series	\$m	Feb 96	200	22.4	-15.8	1,088	36.9	21.7
Value of all buildings (f)								
- original series	\$m	Feb 96	449	29.7	-10.2	2,217	26.2	2.7
Building commencements -								
New dwelling units, monthly	no.	Dec 95	2,099	-0.9	-3.0	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
New dwelling units, quarterly	no.	Dec qr 95	6,172	-5.8	-26.8	30,089	10.8	-34.2
Building activity -								
Value of total building activity								
- commenced	\$m	Dec qr 95	1,418	0.9	-11.9	6,002	-7.5	-17.2
- done	\$m	Dec qr 95	1,688	3.9	4.9	7,074	-2.4	6.8
- yet to be done	\$m	Dec qr 95	1,663	8.5	-19.9	8,273	-9.4	-7.3
Engineering construction -								
Value of work by private sector								
- commenced	\$m	Dec qr 95	239	20.5	21.2	1,673	17.1	-20.5
- done	\$m	Dec qr 95	292	17.8	8.4	2,154	15.5	21.8
- yet to be done	\$m	Dec qr 95	435	5.0	-17.2	3,618	3.1	6.7
Value of work by public sector								
- commenced	\$m	Dec qr 95	251	25.5	-4.2	1,253	-58.3	3.0
- done	\$m	Dec qr 95	284	2.3	-0.7	1,649	16.5	8.4
- yet to be done	\$m	Dec qr 95	153	-12.5	-31.0	2,241	-18.0	13.9
Manufacturing -								
Actual private new capital expenditure								
- original series	\$m	Dec qr 95	866	7.7	13.7	2,508	8.9	6.3

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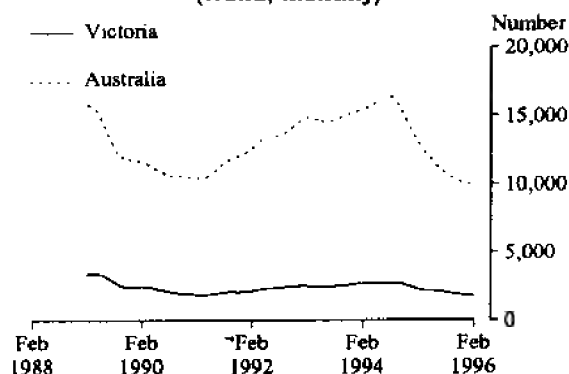
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				Change over preceding period (%)	Change over previous year (a) (%)	Latest figure	Change over preceding period (%)	Change over previous year (a) (%)
Electricity - production	GWh	Feb 96	2,847	-5.3	0.9	13,354	-2.4	4.5
Gas - available for issue through mains	GJ	Feb 96	13,087	8.3	3.1	43,968	4.6	6.0
Actual private new capital expenditure -								
Building and structures								
- original series	\$m	Dec qr 95	693	25.4	89.8	3,131	26.4	38.0
Equipment, plant & machinery								
- original series	\$m	Dec qr 95	1,542	1.6	3.2	6,627	8.0	-4.9
Total new capital expenditure								
- original series	\$m	Dec qr 95	2,236	7.9	20.2	9,758	13.3	5.6
- seasonally adjusted	\$m	Dec qr 95	2,048	0.8	19.9	9,013	2.4	6.0

(a) Change over same period previous year. (b) Available only for February, May, August and November each year. (c) 12 months ended. (d) Excludes re-exports. (e) All banks. (f) Includes alterations and additions to residential buildings. (g) Excludes alterations and additions to residential buildings. (h) Includes refinancing. (i) All lenders.

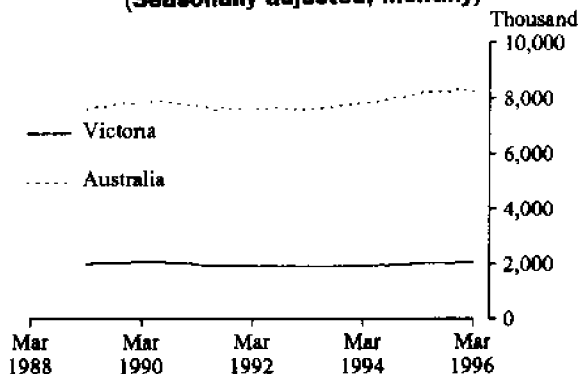
PRIVATE NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE
(Seasonally adjusted, quarterly)



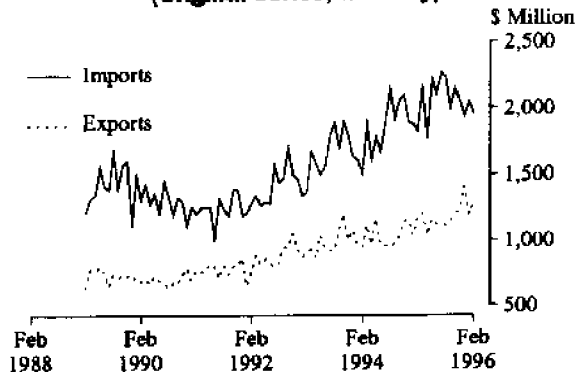
NEW DWELLING UNITS APPROVED
(Trend, monthly)



EMPLOYED PERSONS
(Seasonally adjusted, monthly)



MERCHANDISE IMPORTS AND EXPORTS, VICTORIA
(Original series, monthly)



Period	At end of period			Increase during period		Mean estimated resident population for year ended		Melbourne Statistical Division at 30 June ¹
	Males	Females	Persons	Natural '000	Total	30 June	31 Dec	
1991-92	2 206.5	2 244.6	4 451.0	33.4	30.6	4 437.1	4 450.3	r3 177.9
1992-93	2 211.6	2 252.6	4 464.2	33.6	13.1	4 459.6	4 464.9	r3 187.9
1993-94	2 216.4	2 259.1	4 475.5	32.4	11.3	4 469.6	4 477.4	r3 196.7
1994-95	2 228.9	2 273.1	4 502.0	31.2	26.5	4 488.2	..	3 218.1
1991 -								
March qr	2 189.0	2 224.4	4 413.4	8.9	12.7	..	..	..
June qr	2 192.1	2 228.3	4 420.4	8.3	7.0	..	..	..
September qr	2 196.4	2 233.2	4 429.6	8.2	9.2	..	..	..
December qr	2 198.6	2 236.6	4 435.2	8.4	5.6	..	..	..
1992 -								
March qr	2 203.9	2 241.8	4 445.7	9.2	10.5	..	..	..
June qr	2 206.4	2 244.5	4 451.0	8.0	5.3	..	..	..
September qr	2 208.6	2 247.3	4 455.8	8.2	4.8	..	..	..
December qr	2 209.8	2 249.7	4 459.4	8.5	3.6	..	..	..
1993 -								
March qr	2 212.0	2 252.5	4 464.4	8.8	5.0	..	..	..
June qr	2 211.6	2 252.6	4 464.2	8.1	-0.2	..	..	..
September qr	2 212.4	2 254.1	4 466.5	7.7	2.3	..	..	..
December qr	2 213.2	2 255.6	4 468.8	8.3	2.3	..	..	..
1994 -								
March qr	2 215.5	2 257.8	4 473.2	8.8	4.4	..	..	..
June qr	2 216.4	2 259.1	4 475.5	7.6	2.2	..	..	..
September qr p	2 219.0	2 262.0	4 481.0	6.8	5.6	..	..	..
December qr p	2 221.1	2 264.8	4 485.9	7.8	4.9	..	..	..
1995 -								
March qr p	2 226.2	2 270.1	4 496.3	8.9	10.4	..	..	..
June qr p	2 228.9	2 273.1	4 502.0	7.6	5.7	..	..	..
September qr p	2 233.2	2 277.0	4 511.1	6.6	9.1	..	..	..

¹ Estimated resident population data for the Melbourne Statistical Division has been revised owing to boundary changes.

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BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES, VICTORIA

Period	Number of registrations				Annual rate per 1,000 of mean estimated resident population			Infant deaths per 1,000 live births
	Births	Deaths	Infant deaths	Marriages	Births	Deaths	Marriages	
1991-92	65 478	31 447	390	28 567	14.71	7.05	6.41	5.93
1992-93	65 542	31 111	373	27 943	14.70	6.98	6.26	5.71
1993-94	64 542	31 778	345	27 316	14.44	7.11	6.11	5.35
1992 -								
June qr	16 179	8 097	79	6 430	..	..	..	..
September qr	16 695	8 418	98	4 179	..	..	..	..
December qr	16 378	7 777	97	8 518	..	..	..	..
Year - 1992	66 050	31 916	371	28 429	14.85	7.18	6.39	5.61
1993 -								
March qr	16 552	7 243	101	8 756	..	..	..	..
June qr	15 917	7 673	77	6 490	..	..	..	..
September qr	16 240	8 545	75	4 092	..	..	..	..
December qr	15 555	7 617	104	8 080	..	..	..	..
Year - 1993	64 264	31 078	357	27 418	14.38	6.96	6.14	5.57
1994 -								
March qr	16 684	7 564	85	8 862	..	..	..	..
June qr	16 061	8 047	81	6 282	..	..	..	..
September qr	16 039	9 144	91	4 149	..	..	..	..
December qr	15 498	7 557	81	7 681	..	..	..	..
Year - 1994	64 282	32 312	338	26 974	14.36	7.22	6.03	5.26
1995 -								
March qr p	16 564	7 541	66	8 884	..	..	..	..
June qr p	15 691	7 986	81	6 111	..	..	..	..
September qr p	15 663	8 945	76	3 880	..	..	..	..

Month	Employed		Unemployed looking for work			Labour force (000)	Not in labour force (000)	Civilian population 15 years and over (000)	Unemp- loyment rate (%)	Partici- pation rate (%)
	Full- time (000)	Total (000)	Full- time (000)	Part- time (000)	Total (000)					
MALES										
1994 -										
December	1 037.7	1 171.6	113.4	11.7	125.1	1 296.6	432.7	1 729.4	9.6	75.0
1995 -										
January	1 018.5	1 145.5	121.4	13.5	134.9	1 280.5	450.5	1 730.9	10.5	74.0
February	1 040.6	1 166.5	115.1	15.8	130.9	1 297.4	435.1	1 732.5	10.1	74.9
March	1 037.9	1 170.3	103.1	13.7	116.8	1 287.2	446.9	1 734.0	9.1	74.2
April	1 041.0	1 169.1	99.3	12.3	111.6	1 280.7	454.9	1 735.6	8.7	73.8
May	1 035.7	1 166.4	103.6	13.0	116.5	1 282.9	454.3	1 737.1	9.1	73.9
June	1 034.5	1 164.3	101.9	10.8	112.6	1 276.9	461.8	1 738.7	8.8	73.4
July	1 037.1	1 165.2	105.7	12.2	118.0	1 283.2	456.6	1 739.8	9.2	73.8
August	1 029.5	1 161.7	99.8	12.1	111.9	1 273.6	467.3	1 741.0	8.8	73.2
September	1 048.4	1 168.6	103.5	18.4	121.9	1 290.5	451.6	1 742.1	9.4	74.1
October	1 044.8	1 164.6	101.7	14.2	116.0	1 280.6	462.8	1 743.4	9.1	73.5
November	1 047.7	1 171.1	94.6	11.8	106.4	1 277.5	467.3	1 744.8	8.3	73.2
December	1 069.5	1 195.3	101.1	12.9	114.0	1 309.4	436.7	1 746.1	8.7	75.0
1996 -										
January	1 043.8	1 170.6	108.8	12.4	121.2	1 291.7	456.3	1 748.0	9.4	73.9
February	1 050.9	1 176.2	113.5	16.8	130.3	1 306.5	443.4	1 749.9	10.0	74.7
FEMALES										
1994 -										
December	483.0	854.3	68.6	29.1	97.7	952.0	852.8	1 804.7	10.3	52.7
1995 -										
January	478.1	818.2	75.6	25.0	100.7	918.9	887.3	1 806.1	11.0	50.9
February	486.2	849.6	70.1	32.0	102.1	951.6	855.9	1 807.6	10.7	52.6
March	491.2	876.2	62.1	32.7	94.8	971.0	838.0	1 809.0	9.8	53.7
April	489.6	877.8	56.3	26.9	83.1	960.9	849.7	1 810.6	8.7	53.1
May	498.8	892.0	58.9	21.5	80.4	972.4	839.8	1 812.1	8.3	53.7
June	504.9	898.3	53.3	23.7	77.0	975.4	838.3	1 813.7	7.9	53.8
July	520.4	909.4	50.4	23.8	74.1	983.5	831.5	1 815.1	7.5	54.2
August	505.5	888.9	49.8	23.1	72.9	961.8	854.7	1 816.5	7.6	52.9
September	500.9	900.5	57.0	28.5	85.6	986.0	831.8	1 817.8	8.7	54.2
October	508.2	881.3	62.9	23.5	86.4	967.7	851.4	1 819.1	8.9	53.2
November	505.4	894.4	57.9	22.9	80.8	975.3	845.2	1 820.4	8.3	53.6
December	521.3	908.3	53.3	23.3	76.6	984.9	836.9	1 821.7	7.8	54.1
1996 -										
January	501.3	876.0	59.6	27.8	87.4	963.4	860.1	1 823.6	9.1	52.8
February	497.5	882.1	68.9	31.2	100.1	982.2	843.2	1 825.4	10.2	53.8
PERSONS										
1994 -										
December	1 520.7	2 025.8	182.0	40.8	222.8	2 248.6	1 285.5	3 534.1	9.9	63.6
1995 -										
January	1 496.6	1 963.8	197.0	38.6	235.6	2 199.3	1 337.7	3 537.1	10.7	62.2
February	1 526.8	2 016.1	187.1	47.8	233.0	2 249.0	1 291.0	3 540.1	10.4	63.5
March	1 529.2	2 046.5	165.2	46.4	211.6	2 258.1	1 284.9	3 543.0	9.4	63.7
April	1 530.6	2 046.8	155.6	39.1	194.8	2 241.6	1 304.6	3 546.2	8.7	63.2
May	1 534.4	2 058.3	162.5	34.4	196.9	2 255.2	1 294.0	3 549.3	8.7	63.5
June	1 539.3	2 062.6	155.2	34.5	189.7	2 252.3	1 300.1	3 552.4	8.4	63.4
July	1 557.5	2 074.7	156.1	36.0	192.1	2 266.7	1 288.2	3 554.9	8.5	63.8
August	1 535.0	2 050.6	149.5	35.3	184.8	2 235.4	1 322.0	3 557.4	8.3	62.8
September	1 549.3	2 069.1	160.5	47.0	207.5	2 276.6	1 283.3	3 559.9	9.1	64.0
October	1 553.0	2 046.0	164.6	37.7	202.4	2 248.3	1 314.2	3 562.6	9.0	63.1
November	1 553.1	2 065.5	152.6	34.7	187.2	2 252.7	1 312.5	3 565.2	8.3	63.2
December	1 590.8	2 103.6	154.4	36.2	190.6	2 294.2	1 273.6	3 567.8	8.3	64.3
1996 -										
January	1 545.1	2 046.6	168.4	40.2	208.6	2 255.2	1 316.4	3 571.6	9.2	63.1
February	1 548.4	2 058.3	182.5	47.9	230.4	2 288.7	1 286.6	3 575.3	10.1	64.0

Industry division (ANZSIC 1994)	Nov 1994	Feb 1995	May 1995	Aug 1995	Nov 1995	Feb 1996
	'000					
MALES						
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	61.0	62.9	57.5	58.8	64.3	71.0
Mining	4.9	4.6	5.9	4.9	*3.3	*3.0
Manufacturing	256.3	257.5	243.8	251.6	249.6	242.4
Electricity, gas and water supply	15.8	14.5	20.0	18.4	15.9	13.6
Construction	108.0	112.5	114.1	112.8	110.3	118.2
Wholesale trade	85.7	91.7	95.0	86.1	92.2	87.4
Retail trade	145.7	151.5	149.9	150.2	148.8	152.8
Accommodation, cafes and restaurants	32.5	39.3	37.3	34.5	34.6	35.5
Transport and storage	66.2	72.5	72.8	70.0	77.4	81.6
Communication services	32.7	30.6	24.9	27.5	27.9	30.8
Finance and insurance	36.0	35.7	37.7	36.3	34.9	37.4
Property and business services	100.2	104.9	110.0	113.3	121.2	118.2
Government administration and defence	48.2	47.7	47.4	41.2	40.6	37.7
Education	45.6	46.3	48.7	50.4	45.3	46.2
Health and community services	38.2	38.3	42.3	42.0	40.4	39.8
Cultural and recreational services	22.1	19.7	24.0	26.8	25.3	23.8
Personal and other services	40.1	36.4	34.9	36.9	39.0	36.7
Total	1 139.0	1 166.5	1 166.4	1 161.7	1 171.1	1 176.2
FEMALES						
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	24.8	25.9	30.1	32.1	26.3	31.3
Mining	*0.3	*1.0	*1.8	*1.3	*1.3	*0.6
Manufacturing	95.3	91.4	90.2	95.4	108.1	104.7
Electricity, gas and water supply	*3.9	*3.0	*3.0	*3.8	*3.7	*2.6
Construction	18.9	19.6	18.8	14.2	16.6	12.1
Wholesale trade	35.0	36.1	41.9	40.3	43.2	41.1
Retail trade	155.7	155.5	150.1	148.0	153.5	150.5
Accommodation, cafes and restaurants	42.2	43.4	43.9	46.2	44.7	39.3
Transport and storage	18.7	19.9	19.2	15.2	17.9	18.7
Communication services	14.6	12.5	12.1	13.6	15.3	18.4
Finance and insurance	45.7	46.3	48.8	51.0	43.3	45.2
Property and business services	75.5	84.3	92.8	92.8	91.6	90.3
Government administration and defence	39.7	37.2	41.5	39.9	41.2	45.4
Education	90.3	89.6	99.2	97.9	93.6	85.6
Health and community services	121.7	129.2	139.4	143.6	133.9	133.7
Cultural and recreational services	25.4	22.1	23.4	21.7	22.2	22.2
Personal and other services	33.9	32.5	36.0	31.9	38.1	40.4
Total	841.5	849.6	892.0	888.9	894.4	882.1
PERSONS						
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	85.8	88.8	87.6	90.9	90.5	102.3
Mining	5.2	5.6	7.7	6.2	4.6	*3.6
Manufacturing	351.6	348.9	334.0	347.0	357.7	347.1
Electricity, gas and water supply	19.7	17.5	23.0	22.1	19.6	16.1
Construction	127.0	132.2	132.9	127.0	126.9	130.3
Wholesale trade	120.7	127.8	136.9	126.4	135.4	128.5
Retail trade	301.4	307.0	300.0	298.2	302.3	303.3
Accommodation, cafes and restaurants	74.7	82.7	81.2	80.7	79.4	74.7
Transport and storage	84.8	92.4	92.1	85.2	95.3	100.3
Communication services	47.3	43.0	37.0	41.1	43.2	49.2
Finance and insurance	81.7	82.0	86.6	87.3	78.2	82.7
Property and business services	175.7	189.2	202.7	206.0	212.8	208.5
Government administration and defence	87.9	85.0	88.9	81.1	81.8	83.0
Education	135.9	136.0	147.9	148.4	138.9	131.8
Health and community services	159.9	167.5	181.7	185.6	174.2	173.5
Cultural and recreational services	47.5	41.8	47.4	48.6	47.5	46.0
Personal and other services	74.0	68.9	70.9	68.9	77.1	77.1
Total	1 980.5	2 016.1	2 058.3	2 050.6	2 065.5	2 058.3

* Estimate has a relative standard error greater than 25% and is therefore subject to sampling variability too high for most practical uses.

Reference date	Vacancies all persons (000)	Industry (000)		Sector (000)		Job vacancy rate %
		Manu- facturing	Other	Public	Private	
1993 -						
19 November	9.9	1.2	8.7	1.8	8.1	0.60
1994 -						
18 February	11.3	*2.2	9.1	1.7	9.6	0.74
20 May	15.3	2.2	13.0	2.0	13.3	1.03
19 August	12.5	*4.0	8.5	2.0	10.5	0.72
18 November	12.8	*3.7	9.1	1.7	11.1	0.76
1995 -						
17 February	13.5	*3.5	10.0	2.1	11.4	0.82
19 May	10.2	1.1	9.1	2.0	8.2	0.60
18 August	10.6	*2.6	8.0	1.8	8.8	0.64
17 November	12.0	1.4	10.6	2.6	9.4	0.73
1996 -						
16 February	16.7	*2.3	14.5	3.4	13.3	0.96

* Estimate has a relative standard error greater than 25% and is therefore subject to sampling variability too high for most practical uses.

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INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES CAUSING STOPPAGE OF WORK, VICTORIA¹

Period	Number of disputes		Workers Involved (000)		Working days lost (000)					
	Beginning in period	Total	Beginning in period	Total	Manu- facturing	Education, Health, Community services			Other industries	Total
						Con- struction				
1994 -										
October	12	15	11.3	12.3	8.8	-	1.2	6.1	16.1	
November	14	15	3.3	3.3	7.9	-	0.1	1.4	9.4	
December	13	15	7.2	7.4	1.6	-	0.6	14.8	17.0	
1995 -										
January	5	8	0.8	2.2	0.5	-	-	2.2	2.7	
February	16	19	8.2	8.4	6.0	0.1	0.9	1.3	8.3	
March	13	17	3.2	4.7	9.1	-	0.3	0.6	10.0	
April	11	16	5.3	6.6	2.6	1.6	-	9.1	13.3	
May	10	13	14.3	15.4	0.3	0.1	16.5	2.2	19.1	
June	8	11	5.8	18.5	0.8	4.2	11.5	1.4	17.9	
July	8	14	3.7	5.1	1.0	1.5	0.7	3.8	7.0	
August	11	17	6.0	8.3	2.7	0.2	2.5	10.6	16.1	
September	3	10	0.4	2.3	0.4	-	-	10.2	10.6	
October	9	14	26.0	26.5	2.4	8.5	0.1	3.4	14.4	
November	2	4	1.7	2.0	3.2	-	-	1.6	4.8	
December	7	7	2.1	2.1	0.1	-	-	1.5	1.6	

¹ As from January 1994 industry information is classified according to ANZSIC.

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AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS OF EMPLOYEES (ORIGINAL SERIES), VICTORIA

Reference period - pay period ending on or before	Males			Females			Persons		
	Full-time adults		All males	Full-time adults		All females	Full-time adults		All employees
	Ordinary time earnings	Total earnings	Total earnings	Ordinary time earnings	Total earnings	Total earnings	Ordinary time earnings	Total earnings	Total earnings
\$									
1994 -									
20 May	652.30	698.50	626.10	553.20	569.00	429.50	616.70	651.90	534.50
19 August	651.70	716.60	641.70	545.20	559.10	417.20	615.20	662.70	542.20
18 November	664.70	721.40	649.40	561.60	574.80	437.30	627.30	668.30	551.70
1995 -									
17 February	674.40	732.00	661.40	563.40	578.20	442.30	634.50	676.60	561.30
19 May	680.10	737.30	664.80	576.10	590.00	435.40	643.20	685.10	558.50
18 August	680.40	736.00	657.00	575.10	588.40	430.30	642.60	682.90	549.70
17 November	692.00	750.20	672.50	579.10	595.00	432.60	653.60	697.40	563.60

Period	Melbourne								All groups	Eight capital cities All groups (weighted average)
	Food	Clothing	Housing	Household equipment and operation	Transportation	Tobacco and alcohol	Health and personal care	Recreation and education		
1992-93	106.3	107.8	93.1	108.3	112.7	122.7	129.8	110.8	108.9	108.4
1993-94	107.9	107.3	92.7	110.0	115.8	132.1	135.4	113.6	111.1	110.4
1994-95	110.1	107.4	97.5	111.1	118.8	137.3	142.4	116.7	114.1	113.9
1992 -										
June qr	106.0	107.5	95.5	108.9	110.1	117.2	127.5	108.9	108.2	107.3
September qr	105.5	106.8	93.3	107.8	112.0	118.0	127.2	109.2	107.9	107.4
December qr	105.5	108.3	92.3	108.6	112.0	118.8	128.5	110.2	108.2	107.9
1993 -										
March qr	107.3	107.7	92.4	108.2	113.1	126.4	131.5	112.0	109.5	108.9
June qr	107.0	108.4	94.5	108.7	113.7	127.7	132.1	111.9	110.1	109.3
September qr	107.8	107.9	93.8	109.0	115.0	129.8	131.9	112.2	110.5	109.8
December qr	108.1	107.5	92.4	109.3	115.8	131.7	132.9	113.3	110.8	110.0
1994 -										
March qr	107.8	106.7	92.2	110.8	114.9	133.0	137.4	114.1	111.2	110.4
June qr	107.9	106.9	92.4	110.8	117.5	134.0	139.2	114.8	112.0	111.2
September qr	108.6	107.0	92.7	110.3	118.4	134.0	139.8	114.9	112.2	111.9
December qr	108.8	107.4	95.0	110.9	118.5	134.7	140.8	116.4	113.1	112.8
1995 -										
March qr	111.2	107.0	100.4	111.5	118.5	137.1	143.4	117.9	115.0	114.7
June qr	111.7	108.2	102.0	111.8	119.9	143.5	145.5	117.5	116.2	116.2
September qr	113.5	107.7	102.4	112.5	122.4	149.5	146.0	118.0	117.6	117.6
December qr	114.0	108.1	102.8	113.1	122.5	153.3	148.4	120.1	118.5	118.5

(Base of each group: year 1989-90 = 100.0)

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PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING, MELBOURNE

Group	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95	1995		1996	Weighted average of six State capital cities January
				Nov	Dec	Jan	
House building (Base year: 1989-90 = 100.0) ¹							
All groups	105.7	112.1	115.9	115.2	115.4	115.4	115.6
Other than house building (Base year: 1989-90 = 100.0) -							
Structural timber	103.2	119.5	123.0	115.8	117.1	116.9	120.1
Clay bricks	108.5	109.3	112.3	111.3	111.3	111.3	109.9
Ready mixed concrete	108.2	123.4	124.2	119.7	119.4	118.6	108.3
Precast concrete products	99.5	99.2	104.8	108.0	108.1	108.1	115.2
Steel decking and cladding	109.0	104.7	106.5	107.7	107.7	112.6	112.8
Structural steel	91.3	93.3	95.3	101.9	102.3	102.3	110.3
Reinforcing steel bar, mesh, etc.	99.2	102.0	101.8	104.1	103.5	103.2	112.1
Aluminium windows	96.0	96.5	98.8	100.8	100.8	100.8	108.3
Fabricated steel products	108.4	109.4	110.7	112.9	112.9	112.9	111.8
Builders' hardware	117.2	116.2	113.7	114.6	114.6	114.6	119.0
Sand and aggregate	113.8	119.5	118.5	114.6	114.6	114.6	118.7
Carpet	98.8	98.3	98.5	101.9	101.9	101.9	103.1
Paint and other coatings	118.8	125.0	131.2	141.5	141.5	141.5	127.8
Non-ferrous pipes and fittings	90.9	86.5	100.8	111.7	111.7	111.9	128.5
All groups excluding electrical materials and mechanical services	103.4	106.6	108.5	109.8	109.8	110.0	112.2
All electrical materials	108.9	107.3	113.5	119.8	119.8	120.3	119.4
All mechanical services	105.5	106.8	108.9	113.9	114.1	114.1	113.7
All plumbing materials	104.0	105.3	112.6	118.9	118.9	119.1	123.0
All groups	104.4	106.7	108.9	111.2	111.2	111.4	112.8

¹ Commencing with this table, this index has been compiled on the basis of a revised list of items and updated weighting pattern. The reference base of the index has been updated to 1989-90=100.0. See Appendices in December 1995 issue of Catalogue Number 6408.0

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LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERINGS, VICTORIA

Period	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Lambs	Pigs	Chickens
			'000			
1992-93	1 365.8	608.5	3 722.6	6 288.1	1 070.8	78 614.7
1993-94	1 393.9	583.4	3 975.9	5 600.8	1 188.5	85 797.9
1994-95	1 445.6	641.3	3 202.6	6 263.8	1 196.6	79 799.4
1994 -						
March	138.5	11.2	395.5	555.5	109.0	7 226.9
April	118.3	26.2	312.5	452.3	96.5	7 468.3
May	132.8	47.2	292.6	528.3	102.4	6 934.7
June	111.4	89.0	195.2	504.3	103.0	8 237.1
July	103.7	79.7	187.7	507.5	91.8	6 413.1
August	103.9	170.0	202.8	568.8	99.1	6 105.1
September	122.2	121.7	246.5	574.9	110.1	6 364.0
October	125.1	69.4	327.0	581.8	101.6	6 874.2
November	119.4	23.5	401.0	571.6	97.6	5 882.2
December	122.3	7.9	351.7	516.6	104.9	9 646.3
1995 -						
January	102.6	5.8	330.5	464.5	88.9	6 548.4
February	117.7	4.8	330.6	478.4	89.9	6 200.2
March	130.7	11.0	295.1	522.7	106.7	6 731.2
April	112.5	24.3	182.6	464.2	84.3	6 520.6
May	137.7	47.6	186.2	512.0	114.9	6 208.8
June	133.7	74.2	147.3	453.2	106.7	6 305.2
July	113.5	81.6	150.0	449.5	87.9	6 528.3
August	114.0	137.0	160.7	494.8	100.5	5 966.2
September	106.2	119.3	197.4	524.5	93.2	6 547.5
October	131.6	53.8	279.5	614.9	97.1	6 470.1
November	142.5	19.9	r279.3	r578.7	96.6	6 064.2
December	r125.7	9.7	r208.8	485.2	r101.2	7 232.2
1996 -						
January r	148.1	7.7	247.2	498.1	90.3	7 100.2
February	145.9	5.3	263.5	465.9	92.4	6 275.4

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MEAT PRODUCTION, VICTORIA

Period	Meat (carcass weight)					Dressed weight of poultry
	Beef	Veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pigmeat	
	tonnes					
1992-93	299 907	14 948	81 907	113 220	70 535	119 966
1993-94	315 279	13 466	85 010	101386	78 488	129 234
1994-95	320 510	14 320	63 608	110 138	84 411	116 167
1994 -						
March	32 677	512	8 247	10 181	7 272	11 166
April	28 042	716	6 540	8 169	6 261	11 523
May	29 318	1 185	6 213	9 733	6 763	10 820
June	24 781	1 894	4 144	9 326	6 857	11 487
July	23 328	1 859	3 987	9 189	6 289	10 571
August	20 893	3 375	3 840	9 726	6 814	9 195
September	25 307	2 721	5 026	9 785	7 379	9 679
October	27 899	1 502	6 775	10 295	7 165	10 284
November	26 809	581	8 148	10 028	7 216	8 684
December	27 469	275	6 956	8 995	7 303	10 496
1995 -						
January	23 167	226	6 467	8 244	6 182	9 218
February	25 760	203	6 431	8 525	6 187	9 542
March	29 632	328	5 578	9 378	7 471	10 257
April	25 434	582	3 478	7 884	5 991	9 685
May	30 426	1 072	3 695	9 183	8 409	9 336
June	30 983	1 572	2 917	7 991	8 005	9 220
July	25 310	1 642	2 979	7 997	6 564	9 554
August	23 804	2 773	3 240	8 997	7 400	9 731
September	23 831	2 416	4 092	9 741	6 930	10 170
October	30 513	1 170	5 850	11 474	7 081	10 197
November r	33 584	496	5 903	10 771	7 021	9 549
December	r28 778	295	r4 363	9 112	r7 130	11 344
1996 -						
January	r34 722	251	r5 080	r9 511	6 525	10 396
February	33 857	211	5 378	8 904	6 743	9 588

Period	New dwelling units ¹						Alter- ations and additions to residential buildings ¹	Non-residential building ²		Total all building
	Private sector		Public sector		Total ³			Private sector	Total	
	No.	Value (\$'000)	No.	Value (\$'000)	No.	Value (\$'000)		Value (\$'000)	Value (\$'000)	
MELBOURNE STATISTICAL DIVISION										
1992-93	18 949	1 663 728	886	52 930	19 835	1 716 658	429 731	858 180	1 138 241	3 284 630
1993-94	20 798	1 925 655	999	71 616	21 797	1 997 271	509 231	1 619 834	2 138 618	4 645 121
1994-95	20 916	2 113 075	888	69 830	21 804	2 182 905	571 937	1 072 307	1 655 767	4 410 610
1994 -										
September	1 866	185 935	54	3 379	1 920	189 313	41 439	89 855	100 972	331 724
October	2 041	199 201	59	3 699	2 100	202 900	85 991	117 537	296 755	585 646
November	2 073	198 840	134	9 618	2 207	208 457	48 868	107 606	149 066	406 391
December	1 860	239 867	62	5 910	1 922	245 777	27 551	54 702	72 260	345 588
1995										
January	1 231	117 579	88	7 792	1 319	125 371	26 662	93 066	124 920	276 953
February	1 560	149 489	133	9 118	1 693	158 607	45 869	149 770	218 203	422 679
March	1 473	135 412	77	7 725	1 550	143 137	70 084	84 976	106 011	319 232
April	1 386	135 001	10	809	1 396	135 810	30 202	59 713	91 186	257 197
May	1 935	226 429	121	12 348	2 056	238 777	51 528	118 061	188 796	479 101
June	1 515	147 831	109	6 911	1 624	154 742	41 079	84 364	156 102	351 923
July	1 403	136 198	92	6 069	1 495	142 267	32 787	80 942	94 679	269 734
August	1 421	140 179	151	13 079	1 572	153 259	37 489	87 940	144 659	335 406
September	1 669	171 719	19	2 964	1 688	174 683	38 184	125 424	188 544	401 411
October	1 328	145 420	88	5 987	1 416	151 407	41 681	286 938	343 823	536 911
November	1 260	129 278	237	19 841	1 497	149 119	41 864	110 035	159 057	350 039
December	1 234	138 352	96	6 197	1 330	144 549	31 977	95 745	137 515	314 041
1996 -										
January	923	91 406	88	5 655	1 011	97 061	32 956	64 115	125 521	255 538
February	1 270	146 592	41	5 357	1 311	151 948	40 914	114 798	126 454	319 317
TOTAL VICTORIA										
1992-93	28 155	2 408 177	1 416	85 963	29 571	3 027 181	533 042	1 066 219	1 406 261	4 433 442
1993-94	30 336	2 718 022	1 414	99 663	31 750	2 817 685	623 548	1 853 551	2 502 670	5 943 903
1994-95	28 509	2 771 998	1 409	101 789	29 918	2 873 788	685 062	1 274 683	1 975 197	5 534 047
1994 -										
September	2 597	247 139	122	7 070	2 719	254 209	51 176	105 438	119 546	424 931
October	2 708	256 386	68	4 246	2 776	260 632	94 900	133 972	347 271	702 803
November	2 864	267 116	167	11 597	3 031	278 713	59 966	121 186	173 754	512 433
December	2 389	288 674	122	9 588	2 511	298 262	34 585	64 119	89 161	422 009
1995										
January	1 670	156 157	113	9 289	1 783	165 446	33 352	105 670	152 660	351 457
February	2 077	195 776	183	12 211	2 260	207 987	54 539	160 034	237 605	500 131
March	2 112	190 960	114	10 043	2 226	201 003	80 834	105 401	132 093	413 929
April	1 825	173 579	50	3 245	1 875	176 824	40 442	76 600	118 649	335 915
May	2 516	279 956	154	14 272	2 670	294 229	62 740	153 918	230 951	587 920
June	2 108	199 955	186	12 631	2 294	212 586	50 786	104 004	181 425	444 797
July	1 879	179 571	162	9 712	2 041	189 283	41 048	111 685	131 436	361 767
August	1 935	185 868	163	13 784	2 098	199 652	46 875	117 115	180 525	427 053
September	2 100	211 712	31	3 736	2 131	215 448	47 450	154 641	227 509	490 407
October	1 877	195 307	124	8 187	2 001	203 494	53 811	307 906	382 126	639 430
November	1 815	180 232	268	22 841	2 083	203 073	52 733	137 562	212 939	468 745
December	1 647	174 617	108	7 642	1 755	182 259	41 127	114 949	172 420	395 806
1996 -										
January	1 380	134 038	116	7 579	1 496	141 617	40 928	95 411	163 531	346 077
February	1 787	193 111	50	5 878	1 837	198 989	49 820	182 677	200 083	448 893

¹ Valued at \$10,000 and over.² Valued at \$50,000 and over.³ Excludes dwelling units created as a result of conversions of buildings or construction of non-residential buildings.

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NEW HOUSES AND OTHER RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS: NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS, VICTORIA

	New houses				New other residential buildings			
	Approved	Commenced	Under construction	Completed	Approved	Commenced	Under construction	Completed
1992-93	27 158	25 717	11 772	25 099	2 413	2 438	2 022	2 566
1993-94	28 057	27 904	12 362	27 118	3 693	3 562	2 355	3 209
1994-95	25 885	25 846	10 668	27 380	4 033	3 612	2 765	2 892
1994 -								
June qr	7 234	7 009	12 362	6 925	922	882	2 355	750
September qr	7 792	7 098	12 477	6 984	700	707	2 351	702
December qr	7 035	7 521	11 931	8 006	1 283	909	2 259	995
1995 -								
March qr	5 491	5 494	11 080	6 311	778	929	2 606	580
June qr	5 567	5 734	10 668	6 079	1 272	1 067	2 765	615
September qr p	5 503	5 808	10 390	6 055	767	673	2 787	616

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VALUE OF BUILDINGS, VICTORIA

Period	Residential buildings		Non-residential building						Total
	New	Alterations and additions	Shops	Factories	Offices \$m	Education	Health	Other	
COMMENCED									
1992-93	2 428.2	561.5	189.4	186.9	243.4	178.5	273.4	446.7	4 508.1
1993-94	2 876.5	700.0	456.6	227.1	273.6	211.2	240.0	1 120.8	6 105.7
1994-95	2 907.7	678.6	323.4	211.4	384.2	293.3	140.8	583.8	5 523.2
1994 -									
June qr	743.4	216.0	95.3	82.5	45.8	45.5	32.6	611.8	1 872.9
September qr	732.2	164.0	52.2	56.1	75.4	47.1	41.2	96.8	1 265.0
December qr	808.1	181.9	96.4	67.5	79.7	102.3	37.4	236.7	1 610.1
1995 -									
March qr	666.7	156.8	111.3	36.9	118.6	49.3	30.4	122.9	1 292.9
June qr	700.7	175.9	63.6	50.8	110.5	94.6	31.7	127.5	1 355.3
September qr p	629.6	165.2	73.5	54.4	91.5	54.7	19.2	198.7	1 286.7
UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD									
1992-93	1 294.7	243.2	79.1	347.7	877.9	132.1	412.6	345.7	3 733.0
1993-94	1 474.8	360.6	415.7	165.1	140.7	144.4	539.9	950.9	4 192.0
1994-95	1 450.8	354.3	480.6	142.9	241.9	217.3	251.0	1 092.6	4 231.4
1994 -									
June qr	1 474.8	360.6	415.7	165.1	140.7	144.4	539.9	950.9	4 192.0
September qr	1 503.0	378.4	403.2	177.8	171.0	147.4	374.8	931.4	4 087.1
December qr	1 471.3	346.4	401.9	173.3	160.4	183.4	296.7	1 056.5	4 089.8
1995 -									
March qr	1 466.0	352.4	472.8	153.7	221.8	171.9	268.2	1 021.5	4 128.3
June qr	1 450.8	354.3	480.6	142.9	241.9	217.3	251.0	1 092.6	4 231.4
September qr p	1 460.1	352.8	248.9	151.5	242.6	248.5	159.9	1 205.6	4 070.0
COMPLETED									
1992-93	2 412.5	583.5	289.7	380.5	1 395.5	222.2	107.4	407.1	5 798.5
1993-94	2 725.1	601.3	182.5	424.0	1 056.7	201.0	113.3	517.7	5 821.7
1994-95	2 882.5	709.8	313.6	253.1	290.7	228.8	387.3	521.5	5 587.3
1994 -									
June qr	683.5	151.6	45.2	39.6	218.4	37.7	23.2	135.0	1 334.1
September qr	715.1	152.0	69.2	56.6	46.3	45.0	177.7	123.9	1 385.8
December qr	853.1	223.6	94.9	73.2	91.1	70.1	112.6	124.5	1 643.0
1995 -									
March qr	678.2	155.0	32.5	58.6	62.2	60.2	48.8	164.2	1 259.7
June qr	636.1	179.2	116.9	64.7	91.2	53.6	48.1	109.0	1 298.7
September qr p	634.1	168.3	320.9	45.4	94.6	25.6	113.5	114.9	1 517.3

	Budget Estimate 1995-96	Actual 6 months to 31.12.1995 \$m	Actual 6 months to 31.12.1994
DEPARTMENTAL OUTLAYS			
Agriculture, Energy and Minerals	154.1	67.4	54.8
Arts, Sport, and Tourism	291.8	110.6	121.6
Business and Employment	252.2	118.9	80.2
Conservation and Natural Resources	326.5	127.2	124.7
Education	3 434.6	1 726.7	1 717.7
Health and Community Services	4 459.8	2 121.3	1 943.0
Justice	1 234.5	602.0	641.9
Parliament	51.7	22.5	20.2
Planning and Development	472.6	177.7	171.6
Premier and Cabinet	48.2	22.6	20.3
Transport	1 471.7	786.6	659.8
Treasurer and Finance	3 416.5	-318.5	604.9
Commonwealth Grants on-passed	<u>833.0</u>	<u>415.9</u>	<u>379.6</u>
	16 447.2	5 980.9	6 540.3
less Superannuation Contributions	103.0	95.0	178.6
Capital Charge Received	172.3	0.0	0.0
Payroll Tax Paid by Departments	<u>242.9</u>	<u>119.1</u>	<u>115.1</u>
TOTAL DEPARTMENTAL OUTLAYS	<u>15 929.0</u>	<u>5 767.1</u>	<u>6 245.8</u>
 <i>Current Outlays</i>	 14 292.6	 6 743.8	 6 295.4
<i>Capital Outlays</i>	1 636.5	-976.7	-48.6
REVENUE			
Taxes, Fees and Fines			
Payroll Tax	1 972.0	997.0	910.9
Stamp Duty on Financial and Capital Transactions	925.0	468.2	515.6
State Deficit Levy on rateable properties	4.6	5.2	4.6
Financial Institutions Transaction Taxes	577.2	287.3	278.7
Franchise Fees	1 234.1	559.4	459.8
Motor Vehicle Taxes	834.9	416.7	402.9
Land Taxes	395.8	24.9	27.8
Gambling Taxes	961.1	509.0	448.6
Public Authority Contribution	309.0	211.1	195.8
Taxes on Insurance	322.2	169.3	161.7
Other Taxes, Fees and Fines	<u>190.9</u>	<u>97.5</u>	<u>106.9</u>
Total Taxes, Fees and Fines	7 726.8	3 745.7	3 513.2
Interest Received	113.3	- 13.3	25.1
Royalties	57.1	20.8	27.9
Income from Public Trading and Financial Enterprises	808.8	858.6	411.7
Other State Revenue	<u>82.6</u>	<u>39.3</u>	<u>22.6</u>
Total Other Revenue	1 061.8	932.0	487.4
GRANTS			
Grants Received from Commonwealth	5 963.0	2 846.5	2 705.1
Commonwealth Grants for On-Passing	<u>832.5</u>	<u>419.7</u>	<u>380.5</u>
Total Grants	<u>6 795.5</u>	<u>3 266.2</u>	<u>3 085.6</u>
TOTAL REVENUE AND GRANTS RECEIVED	<u>15 584.2</u>	<u>7 943.9</u>	<u>7 088.2</u>
FINANCING TRANSACTIONS			
Net Advances from Commonwealth	-255.4	-2 058.5	-155.4
Other Net Borrowing	708.2	-171.8	-1 334.5
Other, including changes in Cash Balances and investments	<u>-107.8</u>	<u>53.3</u>	<u>650.5</u>
TOTAL FINANCING TRANSACTIONS	<u>344.9</u>	<u>-2 176.9</u>	<u>-839.3</u>

¹ This monthly statement of budget sector transactions (Niemeyer Statement) is presented in Government Finance Statistics format.
Source: Treasurer of Victoria

Period	Selected industries			Type of asset		
	Mining	Manufacturing	Other selected industries	Total	New buildings and structures	Equipment, plant, and machinery
			\$m			
ACTUAL						
1992-93	282	2 183	3 162	5 627	1 397	4 230
1993-94	441	2 657	3 933	7 031	1 485	5 546
1994-95	603	3 034	3 896	7 533	1 535	5 998
1993 -						
September qr	91	623	1 032	1 746	404	1 342
December qr	150	777	1 154	2 081	476	1 606
1994 -						
March qr	114	546	823	1 483	294	1 189
June qr	86	711	924	1 721	311	1 410
September qr	138	749	1 018	1 905	289	1 617
December qr	152	762	946	1 860	365	1 495
1995 -						
March qr	139	725	901	1 765	342	1 424
June qr	173	799	1 031	2 002	539	1 463
September qr	136	804	1 131	2 071	553	1 519
EXPECTED						
1994-95	523	3 026	3 925	7 474	1 574	5 901
1995-96	813	2 895	3 259	6 967	1 911	5 056

¹ The series in this table are now classified to the Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC).

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COMMERCIAL FINANCE COMMITMENTS, VICTORIA

Period	Fixed loan facilities					Total commit- ments	Type of lender		
	Construction	Purchase of real property	Purchase of plant and equipment	Wholesale	Other \$m		Revolving credit facilities	Banks	All other lenders
1994 -									
August	83.7	246.9	157.6	79.8	301.1	869.4	1 061.3	1 930.6	260.8
September	56.6	216.9	140.5	67.8	209.8	691.7	1 436.1	2 132.1	463.3
October	64.3	181.2	139.3	68.3	208.7	661.7	656.4	1 318.1	254.9
November	85.9	238.5	181.5	55.5	366.9	928.3	1 143.3	2 071.6	453.3
December	56.6	242.1	162.9	56.5	402.3	920.3	1 557.8	2 488.1	428.5
1995 -									
January	79.1	149.1	119.4	44.8	227.2	619.7	1 139.6	1 759.3	407.1
February	41.0	175.6	138.4	55.6	248.5	659.1	675.0	1 334.2	294.0
March	82.7	223.5	170.3	94.9	253.6	825.1	1 198.7	2 023.7	430.6
April	68.3	215.0	124.1	60.0	241.0	708.6	1 606.0	2 314.6	704.3
May	190.1	222.5	156.5	118.7	280.1	967.9	1 347.6	2 315.5	364.6
June	79.8	254.1	213.1	91.4	483.4	1 121.9	2 297.4	3 419.3	1 263.9
July	72.1	227.2	156.6	79.0	383.1	918.2	1 527.3	2 445.4	395.0
August	123.6	277.5	171.8	97.9	318.3	989.4	1 926.4	2 915.8	484.0
September	76.2	213.3	162.0	65.9	505.4	1 022.9	1 746.4	2 769.3	450.9
October	142.7	207.8	155.7	78.6	396.2	980.9	1 445.2	2 426.1	436.1
November	83.2	270.2	177.8	73.3	733.6	1 338.0	1 447.5	2 785.5	322.9
December	99.9	201.0	170.6	158.2	591.2	1 220.9	3 384.6	4 605.5	1 570.0
1996 -									
January	101.1	271.6	137.7	55.8	577.7	1 143.9	4 289.8	5 433.7	1 066.2

Period	Original Series		Seasonally Adjusted		Trend Estimates	
	Dwelling units	\$million	Dwelling units	\$million	Dwelling units	\$million
1994 -						
August	10 720	876	9 847	815	10 018	834
September	9 408	800	9 611	811	9 574	800
October	8 760	727	8 995	756	9 212	773
November	9 441	806	8 624	727	8 935	753
December	8 707	753	9 441	790	8 679	735
1995 -						
January	6 188	526	7 883	679	8 398	717
February	7 810	664	8 360	717	8 076	695
March	8 814	763	8 109	706	7 772	677
April	6 632	581	7 471	657	7 566	667
May	8 076	725	6 602	595	7 524	670
June	8 015	714	7 823	694	7 649	684
July	8 133	729	8 145	737	7 885	703
August	9 162	814	8 447	749	8 157	721
September	8 052	703	8 321	728	8 420	738
October	8 787	753	8 741	755	8 615	750
November	8 988	786	8 349	714	8 776	761
December	8 219	719	9 126	778	8 922	774
1996 -						
January	8 012	713	9 242	832	9 059	787

Month	Food retailing	Department stores	Clothing and soft good retailing	Household good retailing	Recreational good retailing	Other retailing	Hospitality and services	Total
	\$m							
1994 -								
March	875.1	189.2	157.1	243.2	100.8	177.1	272.5	2 015.0
April	810.8	197.0	165.7	222.7	94.1	168.8	263.2	1 922.3
May	804.4	212.1	165.6	242.2	101.9	178.8	261.7	1 966.7
June	812.9	210.8	146.3	251.4	103.0	174.0	259.2	1 957.6
July	836.4	169.9	148.9	250.1	112.3	183.3	277.3	1 978.2
August	831.8	182.2	138.7	255.0	119.7	191.6	278.6	1 997.6
September	854.4	202.8	141.8	249.7	114.1	192.8	290.2	2 045.8
October	887.1	215.2	152.6	251.0	121.0	212.5	307.0	2 146.4
November	878.4	223.1	156.0	266.4	130.7	219.9	313.4	2 187.9
December	1 070.8	418.7	236.8	348.7	196.9	305.2	355.8	2 932.9
1995 -								
January	885.5	165.1	154.2	258.2	119.1	179.5	295.3	2 056.9
February	851.0	152.0	127.1	238.4	112.2	185.0	271.7	1 937.4
March	922.8	188.2	145.7	265.4	118.1	208.9	304.7	2 153.8
April	902.1	215.7	166.5	241.9	115.1	207.4	292.4	2 141.1
May	905.9	211.6	153.2	268.7	129.1	219.5	292.6	2 180.6
June	897.6	209.9	151.5	276.1	128.7	203.8	292.8	2 160.4
July	914.0	197.2	150.2	270.2	137.1	199.7	286.4	2 154.8
August	944.3	197.8	138.9	263.1	137.6	214.2	283.0	2 178.9
September	942.5	195.3	138.2	264.2	129.8	212.6	294.2	2 176.8
October	959.3	203.0	151.8	280.4	130.6	217.0	287.2	2 229.3
November	982.0	246.8	157.9	288.1	144.1	225.3	309.2	2 353.4
December	1 130.6	436.7	224.1	384.2	232.2	327.3	351.5	3 086.6
1996 -								
January	975.5	187.4	147.8	274.7	165.7	183.9	316.3	2 251.3
February	965.4	169.2	118.8	252.2	137.5	183.1	292.1	2 118.3

Section	1994-95		7 months ending Jan 1996	
	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports
	\$m			
0 Food and live animals chiefly for food	971	2 824	626	1 854
1 Beverages and tobacco	182	75	101	58
2 Crude materials, inedible (except fuels)	613	1 742	353	866
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants, and related materials	503	441	335	364
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats, and waxes	75	84	48	45
5 Chemicals and related products, nec	2 194	753	1 346	505
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	3 909	2 229	2 388	1 394
7 Machinery and transport equipment	10 436	2 077	6 367	1 478
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	4 104	833	2 578	531
9 Commodities and transactions of merchandise trade, nec	980	1 949	548	1 347
Total	23 967	13 007	14 690	8 444

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OVERSEAS TRADE, MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS, VICTORIA¹

Country	1993-94		1994-95		7 months ending Jan 1996	
	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports
	\$m					
Belgium-Luxembourg	192	32	225	28	156	41
Brazil	132	37	167	60	111	39
Canada	292	148	430	110	300	56
China	1 415	481	1 576	560	1 066	302
Fiji	31	133	39	127	25	122
Finland	194	5	237	6	160	6
France	432	133	487	167	308	92
Germany	1 550	246	2 093	258	1 238	156
Hong Kong	209	532	205	563	150	453
India	171	107	224	115	151	64
Indonesia	324	242	335	267	249	192
Italy	594	186	718	259	469	146
Japan	3 779	2 177	3 987	1 852	2 108	1 121
Korea, Republic of	491	914	609	1 096	402	915
Malaysia	317	614	428	756	276	472
Mexico	48	110	55	61	31	13
Netherlands	199	32	229	43	139	27
New Zealand	1 024	1 099	1 191	1 241	710	897
Pakistan	83	41	86	30	41	37
Papua New Guinea	92	211	125	187	56	120
Philippines	49	256	105	284	67	190
Saudi Arabia	173	133	242	127	114	112
Singapore	404	1 128	494	1 339	314	686
South Africa	71	115	73	192	52	98
Sweden	408	22	495	39	392	35
Switzerland	250	29	302	58	164	35
Taiwan	747	522	811	629	472	370
Thailand	261	350	323	439	198	291
United Kingdom	1 229	339	1 365	365	923	209
United States of America	4 696	918	5 260	365	3 206	443
Other and unknown	913	1 038	1 052	940	642	804
Total	20 770	12 329	23 968	12 952	14 690	8 444

¹ The list of countries in this table reflects the volume of trade with Victoria. Information about Victoria's trade with other countries is available on request.

Period	Victoria			Australia		
	Imports	Exports	Excess of exports \$m	Imports	Exports (incl. re-exports)	Excess of exports
1992-93	18 147	11 044	-7 103	59 575	60 702	+1 127
1993-94	20 770	12 349	-8 421	64 470	64 548	+78
1994-95 r	23 967	13 006	-10 961	74 619	67 042	-7 577
1994 -						
August	2 145	945	-1 200	6 662	15 324	r-1 338
September	1 915	987	-928	6 010	5 327	-683
October	2 062	1 041	-1 021	6 290	5 774	-516
November	2 101	1 145	-956	6 406	15 764	r-642
December	1 891	1 159	-732	5 833	5 543	-290
1995 -						
January	1 882	1 035	-847	6 098	4 939	-1 159
February	1 826	1 185	-641	5 565	15 154	r-411
March	2 169	1 210	-959	6 762	6 194	-568
April	1 771	1 043	-728	5 749	15 651	r-98
May	2 223	1 168	-1 055	6 905	16 192	r-713
June	2 100	1 126	-974	6 565	15 757	r-808
July	2 266	1 127	-1 139	6 866	16 282	r-584
August r	2 232	1 125	-1 107	6 842	6 119	-723
September r	1 996	1 150	-846	6 281	6 256	-25
October r	2 157	1 204	-953	6 953	6 253	-700
November r	2 050	1 238	-812	6 735	5 994	-741
December r	1 937	1 409	-528	6 158	6 800	+642
1996 -						
January	2 053	1 191	-862	6 542	5 959	-583

Period	Hotels, motels, etc. with facilities				Short-term caravan parks			
	No. of estab- lishments	Capacity (No. of guest rooms)	Room	Takings from	No. of estab- lishments	Capacity (No. of sites and cabins)	Site	Takings from
			occupancy rates (%)	accommodation (\$'000)			occupancy rates (%)	accommodation (\$'000)
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1993 -								
September qr	249	15 085	50	67 677	50	5 468	46	1 646
December qr	242	14 956	58	79 496	50	5 443	54	1 855
1994 -								
March qr	241	14 824	60	80 798	49	5 417	59	1 801
June qr	242	14 830	57	73 416	50	5 442	47	1 147
September qr	238	14 721	59	79 369	54	5 742	45	1 716
December qr	240	14 843	66	93 034	53	5 709	55	2 012
1995 -								
March qr	240	14 905	68	94 245	53	5 694	59	2 055
June qr	242	14 315	63	86 538	53	5 734	47	1 364
September qr	241	14 359	66	97 625	53	5 728	45	1 854
December qr	242	14 513	71	103 964	53	5 730	51	2 242
TOTAL VICTORIA								
1993 -								
September qr	1 043	30 316	43	100 636	436	53 422	34	9 914
December qr	1 025	30 265	48	110 502	442	53 601	39	13 469
1994 -								
March qr	1 017	29 988	51	115 454	441	54 052	45	17 183
June qr	1 018	29 968	48	105 846	441	53 971	38	10 268
September qr	1 003	29 680	48	113 668	438	53 831	35	10 602
December qr	1 006	29 892	53	127 072	436	53 377	40	14 503
1995 -								
March qr	1 003	29 973	56	131 900	435	53 307	47	17 781
June qr	1 016	29 543	51	120 636	434	53 195	39	10 670
September qr	1 009	29 504	52	135 286	438	53 825	40	10 730
December qr	1 015	29 798	56	140 332	438	54 001	40	16 035

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